

FLOR DE DINDIGUL.

A Weekly Newspaper for All Classes.

STRAND, W.C.

SPECIAL Czar, during his visit to Paris, will be the first to see the new all-steel ship. **TWO LOVERS DIE.** was found in a glass in the room when the door was broken open. **LORD SALISBURY** installed as warden of castle of Dover, within the liberty of the town and Port of Dover, one of the Cinque Ports, upon Saturday, the 15th day of August. **RONTGEN RAYS AT SOUTHEAD.** At Southend, yesterday, a successful

morning for the Guai District to attack 4 imps which are threatening Native Commissioner Taylor. There has,

at the Russian Embassy in Paris.

The and New Zealand War, 1863-6.

the evening a Mrs. Lidford, who had
her lodgers, in St. James's-st., a
young couple who passed by the name

be., but as the communication was addressed to Mr. Duller, and deceased had been going under the name of

the occasion of much popular rejoicing. The town was gaily decorated with Venetian masts, flags, and tri-



thereupon, by virtue and authority of the said office, these are in her Majesty's name straitly to charge and command you and every of you to give good summons and law

A photograph of the foot revealed the situation of the splinter, which proved to be 3 inches in length. The wood has been extracted, and ampu-

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OUR OMNIBUS.

PIPER PAN.

A short season of opera will probably be given at Drury Lane Theatre by the Carl Rosa Company next month. Judging from the success achieved by the troupe during their late season at Daly's Theatre, it would appear that their presence at Drury Lane, pending the production of the usual autumn drama, could not fail to prove highly attractive. Wagner's popular works, "Die Walküre," "Meistersinger," and "The Flying Dutchman" are all in the Carl Rosa repertoire, and may be expected to be performed in their English versions.

At Covent Garden Theatre an autumn season of Italian opera is likely to take place; but whether it will be a "cheap season" or on the "grand" opera scale, is not yet known. If the performances are given at all they will probably consist of works but little known in England, and several new singers will appear.

M. Pecksal, the young violinist who made such a favourable impression in London during the past season, has decided to place himself under Dr. Joachim, hoping thus to qualify himself for appearing at the Monday Popular Concerts next winter.

It is well known that Madame Patti frequently gives entertainments for charitable purposes. The great prima donna's latest efforts in this cause will include a concert which she is arranging at Swansea, and an entertainment at Craig-y-nor Castle, both for the benefit of the poor.

The fact that Mr. Beerbohm Tree has elected to call his new theatre "His Majesty's" is much approved of in musical circles, where it is not forgotten that the popular actor-manager's handsome building has been erected on the site where once stood one of the most famous of opera houses.

I hear that Sir Henry Irving does not approve of Mr. Henry Hamilton's libretto for a new opera on the subject of Sardanapalus, "Sardanapalus." The Lyceum manager thinks that it too closely resembles the play which he intends producing at his own theatre.

Gilbert and Sullivan's ever-popular "Mikado" is still drawing big audiences to the Savoy Theatre, but there is a whisper abroad that its place will be taken before long by Offenbach's "Grand Duchess." I presume with Miss Florence St. John in the title rôle.

It is said that Madame Nordica's beautiful voice has much increased in volume since she last sang in London. Her re-appearance here at the 1st Colonne concert at Queen's Hall on Oct. 12 is awaking great interest.

The Richard Wagner Museum (late Osterlin's) will shortly be opened at Eisenach, when many curious and mementoes of the great Bayreuth composer will be for the first time exposed to public view.

Many of my readers may like to know that the present time is especially good for buying pianofortes advantageously. Nearly all the principal makers are selling splendid instruments at the lowest prices for hire during the London season at very low prices.

Practises of the Choral and Orchestra Society in connection with St. Anne's, Soho, will begin on Thursday evening, Oct. 15, at 8.15 p.m. Ladies and gentlemen who wish to become members should write once to the hon. sec., Mr. J. G. Deighton, 112, Gower-st., W.C.

Mr. William Hogarth's company appeared with much success at the Crystal Palace on Thursday in "Les Cloches de Corneville." "Les Cloches de Corneville" is a somewhat melodious opera in London is one of the things I find difficult to understand.

It is reported that the great French baritone, M. Lassalle, is about to return to the stage, from which he some time ago retired, as he stated, for good.

The proposal of the new syndicate at Covent Garden to secure the services of Mr. Charles Harris as stage manager for the grand opera season next year cannot fail to commend itself to everyone cognisant of the great abilities supplied by Mr. Harris on many and varied occasions, notably in connection with the productions at the Savoy Theatre.

BUCKLAND, JUNIOR.

A correspondent of Newbury has sent me an account of a most extraordinary slaughter of snakes which took place a week or two ago at that place. Quoting from his letter he says that "not less than 1,500 snakes, nearly all young ones, were killed." The snakes had found their way into a disused saw-pit, where they had laid their eggs in a heap of saw-dust, the heat of which duly hatched them. Not being able to crawl out of the pit, they were easily despatched by 2 men armed with sticks, and they all been allowed to escape, must soon have become swarmed with these reptiles. Surely this must be the record for snake killing."

I certainly have never heard of the killing of anything approaching this enormous quantity of snakes in one time in England. Huge numbers, however, are sometimes destroyed in other countries, where they are much more plentiful and in far greater variety, and I believe not long ago I gave a note in this column on the banks of the North American river. It is difficult to account for the presence of so large a family in the saw-pit unless it had not been used for a very long time; then it is possible that one pair of snakes originally found their way thither, brought forth young ones, all of which being unable to escape interbred and so multiplied amongst themselves.

There can be little doubt that the reptiles in question were the common grass snake which is fairly well distributed all over England, and it seems a pity that they were so cruelly slaughtered. This snake is quite a harmless animal, and does no considerable amount of good by keeping in check the increase of certain pests. Its chief food consists of frogs, young mice, and beetles. It is also partial to birds' eggs, and it is not unfrequently seen one that when nesting and feeding for one out its hand on a snake

curled up in the nest. In most places snakes are accredited with no end of evil ways, and consequently whenever met with they are generally the recipients of rough usage. It seems almost useless to try and convince country folks that in reality they are perfectly harmless and at the same time useful in ridging places of some of the smaller noxious animals.

To try to induce people to abandon their prejudices against animals is a thankless task. They have become so deeply rooted through the exaggerated and often wholly untrue accounts of the creature's habits that one generally fails to convert them from their beliefs in the abominable ways of certain quite inoffensive kinds. Take, for instance, the harmless slow-worm or blind-worm, as it is sometimes called. This little creature is supposed to be one of the most venomous of our reptiles, and its bite certain death. Lizards have also the same reputation, and are persecuted accordingly. Amongst mammals, the hedgehog and water vole are regarded as miscreants, the former is said to suck the milk from cows when resting, the latter has all the misdeeds of the rat attributed to it. Of birds, owls and hawks are shot down because of their supposed depredations upon game-birds, whereas in reality the damage done by the latter is very small compared with the good they do in others is quite insignificant.

The additions to the Zoological Society's gardens during the week ending Aug. 10, include a Sceloporus, a Wapiti deer (born in the menagerie), a white-browed amazon, a Loder's gazelle, 2 hairy-footed jerboas, a gazelle and a snake from Egypt, an ocellated land skink, a grey ichneumon, a black-faced kangaroo, and a common cormorant.

The specimen of Loder's gazelle, which has been sent from Egypt, is a most interesting acquisition. It is probably the first example of this species that has ever been exhibited in Europe. Although the horns of this antelope had been collected on several occasions from the Arabian deserts, which it inhabits, the animal itself was not known until 1894, when Sir E. G. Loder made an expedition into the interior of Algeria for the express purpose of procuring it. That a few specimens have been obtained can be accounted for by its living in absolutely waterless deserts, and which are consequently almost inaccessible. Sir E. Loder, in the proceedings of the Zoological Society, where it is described and figured, says "It is quite certain that the animal (the gazelle) can never drink, as there is no water in this country at all, except in the comparatively deep wells dug by the natives."

I have been asked by a correspondent at Brighton to give an account of the habits of the midwife toad, examples of which have recently been presented to the Zoological Society's gardens. It is of small size and inhabits Central Europe. The duties of tending the eggs are not undertaken by the female, but are left entirely to the male, who, as soon as they are laid, places them upon his back. They are joined together in a long albuminous string, which allows of their being wound round the thighs to keep them in position. The male toad then buries himself in the soil until the eggs are nearly ready to hatch, when he makes his way into a pool, so that when incubation is complete the little tadpoles can burst from the eggs and find themselves in their proper element.

THE ACTOR.

I should say that nothing in the speech with which Mr. Daly concluded his stay at the Comedy gave so much satisfaction as his announcement that when he returns to London next year he will not include in his repertoire the character of "King Lear" with Miss Ada Rohan as Prince Hal. To begin with, one does not want to see the two parts of Shakespeare's chronicle play squeezed into one; the act is not respectful to the bard, who has a right to more gracious treatment at our hands.

Then it is so very undesirable that the rôle of Prince Hal should be attempted by a woman, however charming and gifted. It is essentially a virile part; it is not that of a prince of pantomime or burlesque, whom it has long been the fashion to make effeminate. No woman could possibly play Prince Hal efficiently and acceptably, and therefore it is well that Miss Rohan, the essence of whose art is his agreeable femininity, should not be asked to enter upon an enterprise which might impair her popularity in England.

Another welcome announcement is that which says that Miss Olga Netherole has definitely dropped the dramatic "Carmen" out of her repertoire. This comedy column is a real good sense and good feeling. In playing Carmen, as she did she was actuated, I am sure, by the most artistic intentions. She desired to be realistic, and she was so. But realism is not necessarily art. On the contrary, a comedy column is an art to give pleasure, and Miss Netherole's Carmen, though extremely clever, was distinctly unpleasing.

Everybody, of course, is talking of the tragedy at the Novelty. On that I have nothing to say; but speaking generally of the use of the weapons on the stage, one may safely assert that no player should be allowed to use any weapon that is not of the "property" sort. After this, I should say, people who have to be "killed" on the boards will take very good care to ascertain what that sort of death is, and if it is to be despatched. The deplorable event of Monday may in this way have good results.

At the Comedy on Tuesday night I met Mr. Basil Hood, author of "Gentleman Joe" and "The French Maid," who told me that negotiations were going on for the production of the latter piece at a West-end theatre. You may remember that it was seen a little while ago at the Camberwell Theatre. I was glad to hear that Mr. Hood has been commissioned to write a comedy distinguished from the so-called works of the kind to which our composers are so busily setting music.

Talking of the Camberwell Theatre, those who have been attending the past week's performances there have had an opportunity of seeing the rôle of "The Private Secretary" por-

formed by its original interpreter. The fame of the Rev. Robert Spalding was made by Mr. Penley, but he had been preceded by Mr. Beerbohm Tree, and Mr. Tree had been preceded, in the preliminary provincial representations, by Mr. Arthur Helmore—a quaint comedian, whose merits have not yet, perhaps, been fully recognised by London playgoers.

I hope Mr. Gladstone's visit to the Chester Theatre will do good to the cause of the drama in that town. Time was, within living memory, when Chester not only did not possess a play-house, but thought such a thing the ante-chamber to Hades. It has since been supported a circus, but a theatre was too modest a representation for the players continued to invade Chester from time to time, and a correspondent of mine remembers very well a visit from the late Mlle. Beatrice, who was fain to act within the walls of the circus rather than not act at all.

OLD IZAAK.

The Thames is still out of order for the angler, and much more rain is needed. The ridiculous and ominous prognostications made within the last year or two as to the depletion of the tidal waters are happily set at rest by every return that comes to hand, and at Teddington, Twickenham, Richmond, and other stations, where fishing is the regular time under proper conditions, have now no reason to complain.

It is satisfactory to know that perch are increasing in the Thames, and are becoming numerous but are being caught of good quality. At Sunbury, one of 11lb. has been taken, and bank anglers at Hampton Court have taken several over 1lb. each, fishing at the corner of the weir. Good barbel are strongly in evidence at Teddington, where one of 10lb. has been landed; Mr. Parkhurst and Mr. Newbury have each secured one of 8lb., among others of less weight. Spoor, fails me to record the takes of the many other anglers fishing in the locality, but hear that Mr. Broebel which turned the scale at 8lb. Mr. C. H. O'Dowd, Dr. and Mrs. Bateman, and Mr. Butler have been well among the barbel at Staines; and Keene is credited with having taken 40lb. weight in 4 days.

Very little has been done in the Lea, but the recent rains will certainly increase the chance of sport. A correspondent asks whether the fishing is free in the Lea and Stort, a matter I hope to deal with in my next issue. Meanwhile I say that the whole of the Lea to near Hertford is free, and also the greater portion or whole of the Stort. There is some really good coarse fishing for those who know how to fish, and devote the requisite time to it, in several of the tributaries of the Lea, and in places long neglected in favour of more popular resorts, and to these places I hope to draw attention later on.

There have been some good takes of bream and perch lately at the Old Welsh Harp fishery, Hendon, and only last week a stranger to the water is reported to have taken 30lb. of perch, the largest being a really specimen fish of 3lb. 2oz. The takes of bream were from 35lb. to 45lb., and a fair quantity of roach were also brought to bank.

The world has watched the great cricket match at the Oval, and it will interest anglers to know that at least one of the competitors is a devotee of the rod. Mr. Ranjitsingh, in whose company I unexpectedly found myself a few days since, is an ardent fisherman, and can handle successfully both rod and gun. More power to his rod!

The annual programme of the Earlsfield Anglers, meeting at the Halfway House, Earlsfield, S.W., is before me, and a very creditable production it is. As a rule their prizes are given only for specimen fish, and in any case their standard is one that might well be followed by clubs of a similar character. A jack of 22 inches and a roach of 8 inches are the smallest allowed to be weighed in under the rules, and gorges bait fishing is strictly prohibited. The Earlsfield deserve success.

Talking of the Earlsfield reminds me of the chivalrous doings of their esteemed secretary, Mr. W. Bruce, who at the peril of his life has rescued several anglers and others from drowning, and that only within the past fortnight. Whether the Royal Humane Society will give him the honour he undoubtedly deserves remains to be seen, but the unanimous expression of opinion on the part of the delegates of the Central Association at their meeting on Monday shows how greatly he is esteemed and how highly they value the presence of such a man among them.

The South London Anglers held their first friendly competition at Amblebury on Sunday, Aug. 23, roving between Park Gates and Timberley Bridge. The conditions are clear: the fish must be all of Thames standard, and one rod only used. The weigh-in took place at Houghton Bridge Inn, and the arrangements are in the hands of Mr. A. Conn.

The Bermondsey Brothers have had some good shows of late, among them one of 49lb. of roach taken by Mr. H. Patman. A brace of nearly 4lb. taken by Mr. J. Smith, was among the fish which graced their trays on Sunday last.

Some capital fish have come to grief during the past week in the Upper Thames. Mr. F. C. Thomson, fly-fishing between Great Marlow and Bourne End, was successful in landing a quantity of chub, some scaling over 2lb. each; and in the mill pool below the lock, he took, legging, a brace of perch, and several good barbel.

Mr. C. A. Medcalf (president) occupied the chair at the Central Association meeting on Monday last, when delegates from the Piscatorial Society, Friendly Anglers, Gresham, and nearly all the leading clubs, attended. Much regret was expressed at the absence (from domestic affliction) of Mr. T. Goodwins, V.P., and a sincere vote of sympathy was unanimously accorded to the School Board Angling Society (meeting at the offices of the London School Board) was enrolled, and also the Friendship Anglers, a new club, meeting at the Stout Stores, Ironmonger-row, St. Luke's. The Central Association is deservedly making great strides, partly due to

the ability with which it is managed, and the splendid waters rented, which are free for its members to fish.

Being in the neighbourhood of Norwich a few days since in search of a little fishing, I gave a look in at the magnificent museum at the Castle, which everyone should see. It lacks only a few good specimen fish, and, at birthplace of the greatest of fishery exhibitions, these ought to be provided. Anglers having a spare case of really good fish could hardly do better than send it there, and I gladly draw attention to the fact.

The next Central "visit" is to the St. Albans Angling Society, Royal George, New-st., Kennington-rd., on Monday next, when Mr. W. J. Wade has undertaken to preside, and a full house is anticipated.

The monthly delegate meeting of the Anglers' Association takes place at the Foresters' Hall, Clerkenwell, on Monday next, and the chair will be taken at 8.30 p.m.

GENERAL CHATTER.

Some bird-witted scribes, desperately hard up for "copy" and pence, have been spreading it about that the Queen will shortly abdicate the throne in favour of the Prince of Wales. Of course, there is not the smallest fragment of truth in the yarn; the Queen has never entertained any such idea for a single moment. It is quite possible, however, that she will devote one of her duties which she now so loyally and courageously discharges. Although her health is robust and her mental faculties are entirely unimpaired, the weight of years begins to tell, and she needs more relaxation than she has been in the habit of taking. There are few, if any, women of her advanced age who work nearly so hard as she does.

Who is now the tallest officer in the British Army? I should not care to speak positively on that head, but I think it is the 2nd Life Guards, must be I should think, in the very front rank. This gallant warrior measures 6ft. 5in. in his stockings, and, unlike Li Hung Chang, looks it every bit, thanks to his upright carriage. Nor is Capt. Ames of the 1st Buffs, built in proportion to his stature, but as fine a specimen of British physique as I have ever seen.

"Why should the 'Whitehall Review' choose such murderous ideas against old soldiers and sailors?" Thus queries a sarcastic correspondent when drawing my attention to a paragraph which lately appeared in that well-written journal. "I would propose," said the writer, "that the idea of providing an addition to the widow's pension, should be taken into consideration." Goodness gracious, what a horrible notion! The said widow could only be added to by exterminating old soldiers and sailors endowed with wives, the raw material for widows. Surely, the gallows would do of quickly enough without slaughtering them like cattle or sheep.

A Calcutta paper reports that "a young man of violent temper" took a fatal dose of arsenic because his father-in-law refused to furnish him with the means of living extravagantly. Noble youth! All the same, his death does not involve any serious loss to the world; young men of violent temper who fleece their parents are becoming rather too common.

It is all very fine for Mr. Radcliffe Cooke to expatiate on the boundless merits of genuine cider, but how can one make sure of getting it? Many of the imitations are so cleverly flavoured as to deceive even a Devonian palate; they are also most palatable. Yet, in the end, the gallows would do the human inside, ruin the teeth, and, I understand, promote rot. The best cider I ever drank was brewed by a brawny blacksmith down in Somersetshire for the consumption of his own family. Between us, we got outside of a gallon as we sat talking, and he should know some fruit had produced the lovely tippie, and I would have gone on but for having a long walk before me. People affirm that cider never goes to the head; perhaps so, but it certainly goes to the legs if you take enough.

I know not how it may be in the United States, but if the Diamond Match Company which has got into financial difficulties manufactures a good article, Americans would do well to afford it all possible support against foreign importations. Here in England, the cheapness of Continental matches is strictly proportionate to their villainous. Sometimes the head on being struck flies off, sometimes the stem snaps, sometimes you have to try a dozen matches before ignition is produced. In short, it is almost as difficult to get a light as the primeval times when sulphur matches were in vogue, while from the standpoint of danger we are much worse circumstanced than then. For my own part, I should rejoice greatly were a heavy duty imposed on these evil importations in the interest of public safety.

Tram conductors are very roughly used by Fate. If they stop their conveyances in order to unload superfluous passengers, and so fail to keep time, they are sure to be visited with the wrath of their employers. On the other hand, if they carry more than the regulation number of passengers they are liable to be hauled up at the police court and fined, in addition to losing their pay. One of these victims assures me that he always goes in fear and trembling at holiday times. Do what he may in remembrance, his conveyance is sure to be overcrowded from time to time, and he dare not invoke police assistance lest he should lose some minutes en route. It is a hard case, and I doubt the fairness of making these unfortunate men responsible for losing time.

There is a deal of sound sense in the contention of many London clergymen that "a day in the country" is the usual form of school treat, often does more harm than good to the children. No doubt, they enjoy the outing, and the whiff of fresh air they must be beneficial to some little extent. But the younger and more delicate often display unmistakable symptoms of physical exhaustion for days afterwards, while those who are too highly vitalised to suffer in that way are liable to their spirits in various manners not exactly conducive to

public decorum. All, too, spend their little savings in the purchase of sweet and fruit they consume must play the very mischief with their digestive apparatus.

An obliging friend now resident at Wimille-Wimereux, a French seaside resort some 3 miles from Boulogne, writes me in high praise of its abundance of merits. "The sands stretch for miles, the bathing is safe and convenient, there being an abundance of tents dotted along the shore; if you find bracing air you can get it in perfection by ascending the hills at the back of the little town. In addition, the Hotel de Bains provides excellent accommodation for visitors at very moderate rates; really good and well-cooked food, a clean, nicely furnished bedroom, and the run of all the public apartments. Truly, an earthly Paradise; I shall certainly make tracks for Wimille-Wimereux on the very first opportunity. There is no difficulty in getting there, as it is connected with Boulogne by both road and railway.

Our Celestial visitor is said to be grievously disappointed by the lack of that toadying which was so lavishly bestowed on him in Germany, Holland, and France. He had anticipated, it appears, that the nation of shopkeepers would surpass all others in touting for orders, and he was quite prepared to give vague promises without the slightest idea of fulfilling them. It has filled him with disgust, therefore, that the story goes, to discover that the English people are too self-respecting to grovel at the feet of the representative of a decrepit and semi-barbarous empire, on the chance of making a little monetary profit.

Anyone in the humour for a delightful country stroll within reach of London should take train to Uxbridge, descend through the quaint old town, cross the canal and the Colne at the foot of the hill, and, about a mile in advance, take a turning to the right. This leads to Denham, one of the most picturesque villages in the kingdom, with two fine seats, Denham Court and Denham Place, close by. Opposite the latter, a charming lane leads to Chalfont St. Peter, about 5 or 6 miles farther on. Here you may satisfy yourself with ripe blackberries, while the glorious woods coming right down to the roadway invite the traveller to rest, contemplation, and tobacco. The surface is, however, too rough for cyclists; their absence may, perhaps, be rather a gain to the local pedestrian. At Chalfont the old Greyhound Inn keeps up its traditional reputation for providing good fare at moderate prices. I have often put up at this pleasant hostelry, and can, therefore, speak from personal experience of its merits.

MADAME.

In taking a bird's-eye view over the field of fashion at this season of the year we have so much to record, many styles as adaptations and developments of those we have been wearing. Tight-fitting sleeves with a short full puff or drapery of the material at the top are decidedly fashionable. Although various modifications of the full-topped sleeve are in vogue, the latter part are still worn, a shape of sleeve much in favour has a short full puff at the top, the tight-fitting sleeve being tucked the whole way, and slightly falling over the wrist in a point.

Some of the new outdoor coats are being made with the sleeves to fit quite plainly from shoulder to wrist. After the huge structures we have been wearing this style may appear somewhat severely plain, but to my mind it has a very pleasing appearance. I was greatly struck by a coat turned out at one of our leading houses for a fashionable lady. The material was fine summer tweed, a lovely shade of smoke grey. The coat is a short shape, fitting to the figure, with the back, with rather loose front, the plating double-breasted, with large smoked pearl buttons. The sleeves are an easy coat fit, perfectly plain from shoulder to wrist.

Amongst the many smart dresses at a big fashion party, I noticed one of a charming effect of some pretty simple toilettes, the wearers being well-known good dressers. A gown of silver grey alpaca took my fancy specially. It was simplicity itself, but unmistakably stylish. By the way, many people fall into the mistake of ideas in ordering their dresses to be made up to date you must be richly attired.

To return to the gown in question. It is very simply made; the skirt quite plain, but cut so as to hang perfectly. I have said before, these plain skirts require very careful cutting. The home dressmaker finds it no easy matter to preserve the close even fit above without a strained appearance, but it can be done, and done well too, if a little care is taken. In this skirt the black lace are arranged with the lines of the waist, but without a stiff appearance. A muslin lining enables them to keep in shape. The foot is moderately wide, and the length just clears the ground.

The bodice is cut with a deep V-shaped opening back and front. It fits perfectly to the figure, and is finished at the waist with a short basque sloped at the front and sides and trilled at the back. The opening is filled with a softly gathered vest of white lisse. The sleeves are also of the lisse, fitting evenly to the arms and rucked the whole way to the wrists, where the opening is rather wide, and comes a little over the hand. The upper part has a full draped puff of lisse caught up here and there with black velvet bows. The soft white lisse and alpaca go charmingly together.

The bonnet is a pretty little shape of silver grey crinoline straw with a black trim and rather high crown. The trimming consists of 2 upright sprays of scarlet geraniums with a little green foliage. One spray is placed at the left side a little towards the front, the other at the back. A tiny spray of the scarlet blossoms is placed underneath the brim at one side. Soft folds of black and silver grey tulle are arranged through the bonnet trimming, standing up at the back of each flower spray. Two small rosettes of the black and grey tulle are placed at one side. The strings are of black tulle.

Serge appears to be in the very height of its popularity at the present moment. Never has it been seen in a greater variety of colours. The old-fashioned dark navy blue has still many admirers, but perhaps the lighter shade of bright navy is just

now the more popular. Amongst the blue serge I noticed a lovely periwinkle blue and some effective cornflower tints. Shades of red in this material are very fashionable. Dark mulberry red, faced with white, makes a lovely combination. Some of the russet brown tones make up well for cycling suits.

Entire costumes of cream-coloured and white serge are much worn by girls this season. Very charming they are too, and by no means extravagant. If a good quality of the material is chosen it will both wear and wash well. I was greatly charmed with a costume of deep cream-coloured serge trimmed with narrow lines of gold braid. The side panels of the main skirt are completely covered with lines of gold braid running downwards. The furrows kept well to the back in spite of the fact that the skirt was stiff muslin to keep them in shape.

The little open-fronted coat is stylishly cut with short full basque at the back. In front and at the sides the basque is plain. The revers are square-shaped and come to a little below the bust. The sleeves are cut slightly full at the top; from above the elbows they fit easily to the arms, and are finished at the wrists with turned-back gaiter cuffs. The revers and cuffs are trimmed to correspond with the skirt panels with lines of gold braid placed closely together. The effect of this trimming on the cream colour of the serge is excellent. The vest is a full front of ivory silk, with a folded neck-band.

MR. WHEELER.

Whether the cyclist who rode abroad last Sunday deserved to be dubbed an enthusiast or something shorter and less charitable is a question that, of regard for his feet, is not proposed to dwell upon. There certainly were many wheelmen on the roads—literally now and then, for the mud was treacherous—and they equally certainly suffered wettings without exception for the sake of the sport. It is in many minds to grudge the cyclist's point of view, in rendering the roads, when it had departed, much better than they had been prior to its advent.

They were certainly in need of the cheering they received. The continued drought had had its inevitable effect, and over many of the most familiar and often-traversed highways it was coming to be rare that one could ride for long without either personally experiencing a puncture to one's tyre, or else watching suffering of another cyclist's suffering. The latter case is generally held to be the preferable one. It has been impossible to stay at Terry's lately on a Sunday, without seeing some half dozen tyres repaired in the garden at the back, for the Brighton-rd. was as bare as any other, and whoever pictured anywhere near Crawley naturally drifted to the Albany.

An Anserley member, returning from that direction the other evening, was suffering in a very different manner. The wheel cart had been doing its worst. The rider in question, when plodding along at some 12 miles an hour, heard the sound of approaching wheels from behind, involuntarily turned his head, and immediately came a complicated shudder in the mud. His machine shuddered in the mud. He was half unconscious for a time, and it was only after the proper application of some brandy that he contrived to walk home, accompanied by a good Samaritan, aged about 12, who trundled his wheel along for him. He was much shaken.

It is not always, of course, possible for the most experienced rider, or what is not the same thing invariably, the most careful one, to avoid an accident of this description. Yet the danger which is no respecter of persons, may be more easily steered through with safety by a rider who is habitually a good rider than by one who is not. That is to say, proper pedalling and a correct position on one's machine go far to enable a rider to avoid a fall, and it is moreover, as will easily be understood, a simpler matter to ride with a low than a high gear on greasy roads. The greater the effort the more apt it is not to be even; and the less even the action the greater is the likelihood that there will be a fall.

It has been decided by the authorities to legalise the introduction of a cycle market in the French capital. There Paris has been well supplied with every possible facility. How the established makers and agents (three regard the innovation has not transpired; they may fear it, or only find it a means of securing good advertisements since it is likely that many visitors who would not have called at their dealers' shops, will be attracted there by the novelty. But perhaps the display of further advertisements than are constituted in the machines themselves will be prohibited. Otherwise there is a chance afforded that is sure to be taken advantage of. I have not yet seen the rules.

In the parks nowadays there are few cyclists to be seen as compared with the numbers that used to congregate in Battersea and Hyde. They are many of them "out of town," or desire to be supposed so. One or two members of Parliament continue to ride there daily, notably that celebrity we have all seen on the cycle if rudely hue. These astounding ensembles, by the way, are not now seen by any means so often as was the case when society first suddenly took to the wheel. Experience teaches a sort of people! With the lapse of time we may even hope to be relieved of the word, "Gymkhana." May it be so.

Riders who take their machines into London should remember that they must regard the advice of the policemen just as much the drivers of vehicles. A cycle, in the eyes of the law, which in this case is scarcely a "lass," is a carriage. There have been numerous instances lately of constables laying to enforce the law harshly on cyclists who refused to be governed by their requests. Of course, it is to the wheelman's own interest to be rational in this matter; he might endeavour to dash across the road against advice, in the face of a suddenly lowered avalanche of traffic at some junction of several streets, and be badly injured.

A French contemporary records an incident, too good to be allowed to pass unnoticed, that happened in

Paris a few days ago. In the Boulevard Saint Germain a cyclist collided with a cab-horse unskillfully managed by its driver, knocked the latter on his seat, the horse over on to the back, and broke both shafts of the vehicle. It is said that the cabman made no expostulation; he calmly thought that in such an event as this discretion was much the better part of valour. One does not feel inclined to wax pugilistic in the presence of a man, the impact with whom is enough to knock a horse down.

It is sometimes possible, when a puncture is encountered, and one has no repair outfit handy, nor any means of immediately acquiring one, to fix up a temporary repair with the aid of a match and a postage stamp, using the former to clean the inner tube, in the neighbourhood of the puncture, and the stamp as a patch. Then by inserting the tube carefully again beneath the cover in such a position that the stamp does not come between the hole in the tube and the inflating. It will often be found that the tyre will carry one home. The device is always worth trying, and a regular cyclist ought to be acquainted with all these little methods.

A SONG OF THE STREET.

It rose o'er the falling discord
Of the busy London street,
The voice of a lone street-singer
In an old song and sweet.
The noise of many a thousand,
Sorrow and joy's refrain,
Swelled in its mighty melody,
But he sang on, and the strain.

It might be marred for a moment
By many a warring sound,
Yet it rippled all the sweeter
For the wild discord around.
O'er moan, and tear, and laughter,
Of days that knew no war,
It told of a glad hereafter
To the busy, careless throng.

And in some vague way of beauty,
It seemed to my listening ears,
Like any other world of woe,
Of days that knew no war.
For it told of youth's sweet fancies,
Dreams that are dreamed in vain;
'Twas the very soul of music
Breathed in a chord of pain.

For it blended joy and sorrow,
And was neither more nor less,
But it promised hope immortal
To the doubting heart of man.
And many seemed to listen,
For it seemed to them, I know,
Like the echo of their own lost youth,
Which can never wholly go.

Like the echo of the carol faces
Of many standing by
I saw the bright reflections
Of thoughts that will not die.

And to my heart the music
Of that tender old-world song
Seemed like the lives whose cadence
Sounded o'er the world of woe.
For the toll, the pain, the tears,
And clear by their own endeavour
The path to purer spheres,
Which ring like angel anthems
O'er the worldly fret and strain.

And are higher, and clearer, and purer
That they know the chord of pain.
The ceaseless discord round them
Their cadence cannot still.
For they make their own heart music,
Which the world can never kill.
Lives which confirm and strengthen
By their presence on the earth
Our wavering faith in Heaven
And our trust in human worth.

ARMY SCHOOLMASTER W. H. GARDNER was remanded on bail at Aldershot charged with assaulting a girl scholar, aged 11. Accused, who is a married man with several children, is deputy chairman at All Saints' Church, and the trainee at the successful Physical Drill competition, before the Duke of Cornwall.

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prisoner being secured by a noose around his neck, and about the middle of the afternoon he was taken down to the place where the whole force of the garrison were gathered, all into which the prisoner is put with a head sticking over the top of the platform. The gallows at Lyons or Paris is then emptied in, and between each basketful water is poured down the well. The gatch then swells, and when it hardens it stops the circulation, causing death by suffocation and agonizing pain. When the gatch becomes so tight and tightened on the first prisoner his yells were frightful to listen to, and those waiting their turn realized that the death to which they were doomed, so far from being the least painful one they had hoped for, was instead of a terrible torture, as they expected, a mere deathly agony. As the yells issued from the mouths of his companions, "Spare me! Spare me!" he cried, "and I will show you where 2500 Germans (A400) lie hid;" but his officers came too late. Three days later captives had been added to the pile, covering the heads of the men, who had thus horribly been done to death.

CALISTO LONDON WATER SUPPLY.
Eleven M.P.'s within the district have signed a petition to the Home Secretary, Mr. F. D. Beesley, asking that the Government should make arrangements to supply London with water from Calisto.

The best of the two new electric engines fitted up by Petrolone & Co., Ltd., of Cardiff, are now ready for trial. We shall have more news of them as we get time to wait out before the holidays.

have addressed a letter to Mr. Bai-
our urging that the whole supply of

in the metropolis should be put in the hands of one public representative authority, so that when scarcity arises in one district it may be met from the supplies of other districts. They therefore earnestly press upon the Government the need of proceeding early next session with a bill for constituting such an authority. Mr. Balfour has replied, saying that the Government are deeply sensible of the importance of the question to London generally and to the East-end in particular, and they strongly feel that next session ought not to pass without a solution of the question being arrived at.

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THEATRICAL TRAGEDY
YESTERDAY'S PROCEEDINGS
RESUMED INQUEST: VERDICT
(Continued from page 11.)
The inquest on the body of the actor Temple Edgcombe Crozier, who was fatally stabbed on Monday last while acting in "The Sins of the Night,"

the Novelty Theatre, was concluded yesterday at the St. Giles's Board Works, before Coroner Oswald. Mr. Franks, who is charged with having caused the death of the deceased, was again in court and legally represented by Mr. Williams.

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Mr. C. Lillford, actor (recalled) and that both the deceased and the accused were sober on the night in question. It was not the usual custom to use a sharp knife on the stage, if it was not always possible to obtain blunt ones. Sharp knives were usually and witness had himself been stabbed on the stage. — By Mr. C. Lillford.

Williams: Deceased lived at No. 10, Burleigh-street, Strand. Witness could not say whether or not the deceased wore "elevators" to increase his height.—Miss Winifred Wood, actress, of Seaton Mansions, deposes that she took the part of Abima in "The Sins of the Night," at the

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HAD TO BE STABBED.
—The Coroner: By whom?—Witness Mr. Crosier.—Did you see that he had a dagger? Yes, it was a dagger, the handle of which was bound up with cloth.—Is this the same dagger? Yes.

When I was stabbed I had to withdraw.—Mr. Maurice, acting manager of the Novelty (recalled), said that they had a property dagger, and it could find it he would put it on top of the list, but he told Mr. Francis that if he had one of his own he would better bring it.

MR. FRANKS'S EVIDENCE.
Richard Moritz Franks, an actor having been cautioned by the coroner said that he desired to give evidence. The week prior to Monday last, he posed, the play was rehearsed, but dagger was not used. On Monday night, however, deceased and I

Where was that?—Witness: In wings. I had the rehearsal with just before he went on to stab Wood—just before the curtain sprung up for the last act, the act which I stabbed him—and we measured the distance. Coroner: Were

the distance.—Coroner: Were the same rehearsals that had been on all the previous week?—Witness: Yes, with the exception that I had dagger. It was arranged between that I should raise my hand a higher, and where I was to stand wish to say that had Mr. Crozier

REMAINED IN THE POSITION
agreed upon I would never
touched him. I may say that I
moved from the spot allotted me
the Coroner: The reason I bro
the dagger with me was because
Maurice did not know whether
had a stage dagger in the the

and he advised me to bring one
me if I had one. I brought one w
was presented to me by Miss
Cavendish. When I went on the
in the last scene I went to
Crozier in a slouching manner,
after a few words I struck him
the dagger. He must have m

however, and I must have struck with the dagger instead of my hand. It was arranged by us that I should drop the dagger on the floor after I made the thrust. I believed that I had done so. In final I was not to appear, but after certain had been finally rung down.

heard a rumour that Mr. Crozier
fainted, and I came on the stage.
Knowing that he was attending
hospital, I felt so bad that I sat
in a chair near a table.—Coroner: Did
you know that you had stabbed him?
Witness: Then—no. I only told
him to be in a fit. I did not

policeman on the stage. I saw a policeman on the stage after the doctor pronounced life extinct. I then went up to the policeman and said, "I did it with this," and I handed him the knife.—The Coroner: Is that all you have to say?—Witness: Beyond the fact that Mr. Crozier

coming to lodge with me while the people were away. I knew the deceased was ill, for once I had to him up. When I was told of the of property dagger the theatre told the fact to the deceased, and said, "I certainly shall not u 'Will you lend me yours?'"

HE USED THE DAGGER in his scene with Miss Wood. I been an actor for 8 years on and but I have left the stage several —Coroner: Have you ever used a dagger like the one you used on day night before? — Witness:

was the only time I ever used any one like it. I have, however, sharp weapons used. I account the velvet being around the handle fatal dagger by the fact that I put round it to hide the jewel was placed on by Miss St. Lawrence.

SUMMING-UP.—VERDICT OF
FROM MISADVENTURE.
—The coroner said that he had
Mr. Franks' evidence just as he
uttered it, and he did not think
advisable for him to be questioned
the jury or counsel.—This concludes
the evidence, and in summing-

the evidence, and in fact the coroner described the occurrence as the most melancholy tragedy. From the evidence he did not think there was anything to justify the jury turning a verdict of wilful murder. After a very brief absence, the returned a verdict of death from adventure, adding a rider explaining the evidence.

Frank Hill, a carriage cleaner in employ of the Brighton Railway

Yesterday afternoon a young man, 22 years of age, named Frederick Adams, living at 86, Adeney-road, Ealing, was killed when he succumbed at the West

Hospital to a severe fracture of the skull and other injuries, sustained falling from the roof of a house, 10 Cassidy-rd., Fulham.

The Rochdale coroner held an inquest on a woman unknown, who was found drowned in the canal at Littleborough. She was poorly clothed.

by the sailing was found in the water in a position, her clogs being on the few yards away. Verdict, suicide.

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"THE PEOPLE" MIXTURE.

The deaths registered last week in 31 great towns of England and Wales correspond to an annual rate of 21.4 per 1,000 of their aggregate population.

In London 2,291 births and 1,790 deaths were registered last week. Allowing for increase of population, the births in London last week were 265 below, and the deaths 150 above, the average numbers in the corresponding weeks of the last 10 years.

The annual death-rate per 1,000 from all causes, which had been 23.3, 23.5, and 24.3 in the preceding 3 weeks, further fell last week to 21.4.

The deaths attributed directly to influenza last week numbered 2, having been 6, 1, and 6 in the preceding 3 weeks.

In Greater London 3,157 births and 2,432 deaths were registered last week, corresponding to annual rates of 21.4 and 20.5 per 1,000 of the estimated population.

The Prince of Wales, attended by Major-General Clarke, left Marlborough House this week for Homburg.

A man about 33 was killed while crossing the road at Chiswick. He is believed to be a Covent Garden porter, and known by the name of "Sam."

The Trinity Law Sittings ended on Wednesday, when the few judges who remained in town rose for the long vacation.

Mrs. Henry Ingham, a Laporte, Indiana, woman, has passed 77 days without nourishment of any kind, as far as is known.

The Archduke Joseph has consented to the marriage of the Duke of Orleans on condition that the latter renounces his claim to the French throne.

The funeral took place this week of Mr. John Charles Blackett, of Thorne, Surrey. Deceased was the last surviving officer of the ship Victoria, on which he was signal midshipman.

A workman employed on some buildings in Gower-st. fell from the scaffold—a distance of 40ft. from the ground. He was terribly injured, and was removed to University College Hospital.

Earl Cadogan, the guest of Mr. Smith Barry, M.P., at Fota during a series of public engagements in the South of Ireland.

Three persons were seriously injured by a gas explosion at the Parade, Brighton. Their names are R. Smith, G. Welch, and Mrs. Thomas's Hospital.

A man about 34 years of age, having the appearance of a coachman, expired at the Jubilee Hospital, Kensington, from the effects of a bicycle accident.

At the Battle of Trafalgar the heaviest gun used threw a projectile weighing only 32lb., which was 6.41 inches in diameter; the modern 110-gunn uses a shell weighing 2,000lb., of 16½ inches in diameter.

Lord Leigh, Lord-Lieut. of Warwickshire, had one of his eyes removed owing to severe inflammation. The operation, which was necessary to retain the sight of the remaining eye, was successfully performed.

The body of a woman was found floating in one of the Highgate ponds. She is described as about 60 years of age, and wearing a black mantle and black stockings. The body lies at the St. Pancras mortuary.

The Bishop of Rochester has been preaching in Wandsworth Prison. He had an audience of 800 prisoners and warders, to whom he gave an address on the text, "Be ye sober, and put on the breastplate of righteousness."

An old lady named Sarah Venn, of 263, Boleyn-rd., Upper Park, West Ham, has been found dead in her back scullery. The body was much decomposed. The deceased must have been lying dead in the house for 2 or 3 days.

A fork, a piece of wire, 2 teaspoons, a needle, a piece of lace, a crochet needle, 2 2½ in. nails, 4 pieces of glass, 8 buttons, and a key were recently taken from the stomach of a woman in an Odessa hospital recently. She is still alive.

As a couple were about to be married in New York, the other evening, a large pane of glass fell from a skylight on the bride's head and knocked her senseless. When she recovered she had her head bound in bandages and then the ceremony proceeded.

Two men in New York were in love with 1 girl, the latter's parents favoured 1 suitor, the girl the other. Finally the parents proposed that the 2 men run 100 yards race for her. Unlike the usual ending of such contests the suitor the girl favoured won.

At Chester, William Evans, for whom a warrant was issued in July 1894, was sentenced to 2 months' imprisonment for a savage assault on water bailiffs, and fined 40s. and costs, or another month, for illegal fishing in King's Pool, Chester.

The German Emperor, as owner of the yacht "Solent," sent a subscription to the Missions to Seamen, which maintains a chaplain for Southampton Water, and a reader, with a mission yacht, on the Solent all the year round.

In celebration of the South African Exhibition, a subscription to the Missions to Seamen, which maintains a chaplain for Southampton Water, and a reader, with a mission yacht, on the Solent all the year round.

A labourer named Foster recovered £100 damages at Southwark County Court from Mr. Adams, a contractor for the dock at Rotherhithe, for injury caused by some timber falling from a crane and hurting his spine and hip.

The Paris "Globe" publishes the following list of members of the South African Commission:—Sir Miles V. Jam. Hardcourt, Sir H. Campbell Bannerman, Sir Michael Chicks Blunt, Sir Richard Webster, Sydney Blackstone, H. L. Bouché, Bigham, Sir Hart-Dyke, and M. Chantier.

In the armed scheme of Christ's Hospital places are reserved for the sons of commissioned officers of the Navy, Marines, or Naval Reserve whose services are certified by the Admiralty to have been satisfactory. The preliminary selection of candidates between 10 and 11 years of age for 8 places will be made in October.

The Queen has granted to Mr. Alfred Berry Brewster authority to accept and wear the insignia of the Order of the Osmanieh of the Third Class, which the Khedive of Egypt has conferred upon him in recognition of services which he has entirely and exclusively employed beyond his Majesty's

minions as English private secretary to his highness.

The Canadian Volunteers paid a visit to Windsor Castle this week.

The latest accounts of the Hon. C. Bourke are much more favourable. Nine workmen were struck by lightning and injured at Barcelona on Wednesday.

The discharge of Sidney Crombie, formerly known to fame as the infant stockbroker, was suspended in the Bankruptcy Court for 4 years.

The Ardrossan Sawmills, including plant and stock, have been completely destroyed by fire, the damage being estimated at £4,000.

The pipe which Blanche carried to Waterloo has lately come into Lord Sheffield's collection at Sheffield Park. It is very richly ornamented.

It is reported from Belgrade that the young King Alexander of Serbia is going to pay a visit to the Italian Court about the beginning of October.

A large waste-paper store in Frar-st. caught fire, and was eventually gutted.

Capt. Bouvier F. Clarke, R.N., has been appointed Director of Transport, in succession to Rear-Admiral Brent, from the 20th inst.

Just a right-handed sort and no clout, a Lord Salisbury has been described in Australia by one who knows about his life in the bush.

There is quite a superfluity of labourers for harvest purposes in N. and E. Yorkshire, owing in great part to the almost general use of the self-binding reaper.

Prof. Herkomer this week presented to the Archdiocese of Wales, at his residence at Llangollen, a luxurious costume in accordance with the traditional dress of the archbishop.

The Secretary of State has released from the Convent Prison at Aylesbury Fanny Gane, who, on Dec. 8, 1891, was sentenced to death at Winchester Assizes for murder at Richmond.

Prince Bismarck's former cook, Selig, who was charged in Hamburg with theft and immoral actions, has been sentenced to 25 months' imprisonment.

The annual conference of the National Union of Women Workers will be held at Manchester next October from the 27th to the 30th. Only lady journalists are to be admitted.

Four bombs were exploded under a train track between Navajas and Jacque. Four Cubans were badly injured, and several sustained slighter injuries.

The Chevalier Bayard, after having been mortally wounded, asked to be taken from his horse and placed at the foot of a tree. "At least," said he, "I must be facing the enemy."

A middle-aged man, lately residing in Bow-rd., who has been out of employment for some time, threw himself over the iron bridge at Canning Town and was drowned before help could reach him.

The Home Secretary has refused to receive a working men's deputation that proposed to lay before him their view of the great danger of a vivisection license being granted to the Pasteur Institute.

At Bermondsey-st. Police Station, P.C. George Pawsey, 213 M, was presented with a marble clock, inscribed with the police of the M Division on his retirement after 25 years' service.

A concession has been granted by her Majesty's Treasury to the clerks employed in the Prison Department by granting a promotion to a higher grade on their completing 15 years of service.

An elderly lady named Mrs. Parker, of Catford, learning that a neighbour had fallen down and broken her leg, was so shocked that she fell in a faint, and on a doctor's arrival was found to be in a fatal condition.

A fatal accident has occurred at Columbus, Pennsylvania, when an electric tramcar left its track, and fell down an embankment into the bed of a creek. Five of the occupants were killed on the spot, and 40 injured.

Princess La, the wife of Li, is 50 years of age, and is said to look 20 years younger. Her feet have been fashioned to such smallness that she cannot walk, and has to be carried about in a chair.

A brother peer of his once mischievously said that Lord Ashbourne, the Irish Lord Chancellor, ought to be called Lord Concubine, because he always concurred in the view taken by his side.

A lady being summoned the other day for taking her dog's muzzle off in a cab urged in droll defence that it was the only dog of the kind in the British Isles. The dog appears to have been a "pocket beagle."

Of all M.P.s, including Sir William Harcourt, Sir Ellis Ashmead-Bartlett, Mr. Balfour, and Mr. Labouchere, it appears, admired Mr. MacEwan, of Edinburgh, the most—because of his yellow hair.

Complaint has been made to the Lambeth authorities by Mr. George Knell that the wedding-ring on the finger of his wife, upon whom an inquest was recently held, had been stolen.

A shocking accident has occurred on the Spite. A steamer collided, close to the exhibition, with a boat containing 18 persons. The latter vessel was cut in half. Of those in it 2 were saved; the rest were all drowned.

At Mountain Ash, Thomas James, labourer, presented to Capt. A. Nicholl a magnificent silver vase, received from the President of the United States, in recognition of his having rescued at sea 8 men of the schooner Elisha Gibbs, of New Bedford, Massachusetts, on March 6 last.

The year of a church just over 12 miles from town was late on Sunday, and it transpired that his wife had just presented him with his first-born son. In the evening, as the good man entered the strains of Handel's "Unto us a Child is born, unto us a Son is given," stole forth from the organ loft, to the amusement of the congregation.

"When men are on piece work," said Coroner Baxter, "they go slap-dash at everything, regardless of danger." This remark was apropos of the death of a steeplehouse labourer, named Maurice Sheehan, of 37, Dag-lash-st., Poplar, who was struck in the chest by a crane load of pipe of

lead on a barge in Millwall Dock. Verdict, accidental death.

The largest wrought iron pillar is at Delhi, in India. It is 60ft. high, and weighs 17 tons.

The earliest wheat grew on the plateau of Armenia, where this plant once existed as a native grass.

It has been decided to re-arm the whole of the Yeomanry Cavalry with the Martini-Metford carbine.

Li Hung Chang's brief stay in Paris cost the French Government upwards of £3,000.

The early woodmen of America devoutly believed that a she bear licked her cubs into shape, these being supposed to be born almost shapeless.

A little girl of 4, named Mabel Brand, of Kentish Town, has been severely burned. She was left in a room alone, and her clothing was ignited by a spark from the fire.

Count Cassa, Pallavicini, lieutenant in a Hussar regiment, shot himself at Buda-Pesth with a revolver. The cause is supposed to be an attachment to a variety artist.

A Parliamentary return shows that the year's experiments on living animals were 4,679. In 2 cases the Secretary admonished the licensees.

The diatoms, single-celled plants of the seaweed family, are so small that 3,000 of them laid end to end scarcely suffice to cover an inch of space on the rule.

Trees which have grown on a northern exposure, as on the north side of a hill, produce better, harder and more durable "lumber," than those which have been pampered by the southern sun.

Mr. J. A. Scully, B.A., has been appointed one of the revising barristers for London, the position being rendered vacant by the appointment of Mr. Butler to Liverpool.

In the scientific preparation of "lumber," after the tree is felled the bark and outside layers of sapwood are removed, the trunk is raised from the ground, and reduced to the desired form, then left to season.

The Röntgen rays have been used to take pictures of flowers. They show the ovules inside the ovary in an unopened bud, the seeds within a seed vessel, and even the veins upon the white petals of a flower.

An evidence of the striking uniformity of size among the Japanese is found in the fact that recent measurements taken of an infantry regiment showed no variations exceeding 2 inches in height or 20 lb. in weight.

A child named Dorothy Deane, 2½, was buried in the cemetery at Faversham, in Kent. The child was put into her bed, and when the attendants saw her again she was discovered to have been buried to death.

To-day (Sunday) the band of the Royal Horse Guards will play in Hyde Park from 3.30 to 5 p.m., and the band of the 1st Bn. Suffolk Regiment in the Green Park from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

The body of a man about 30 years of age was taken from the back water of the River Lea at Enfield Lock. It is supposed to be that of Joseph Wild, employed at the Royal Small Arms Factory.

The age of Mrs. Major, who died last week at Sutton Veny, has been officially certified as 105 years. The old lady had been twice married, and for 43 years was proprietor of a country inn.

American papers announce that J. L. Sullivan and "Parson" Davis are deserting the "legitimate" drama and going into vaudeville. They are to do a specialty sketch for 1,000dols. a week.

A woman threw herself into the water off the Embankment near the Temple Pier. A boatman, however, towed out to her, and, assisted by boys, brought her to the shore. She was at once taken to the hospital.

A pocket guide has been issued relating to the Scarborough sailings of the s.s. General Havock leaves Sunderland on Wednesday, and London on Saturdays during August and September.

Insp. Blenkinsop, of the C Div. (Vine-st.), has just retired from the police force on a pension of £103 a year after 25 years' service. Sub-divisional Insp. Reed, of the D Div., Marlborough, has also retired on a similar pension.

In 1895, 7,327 inquests were held in London, an increase of 14 per cent. on the number in 1894; 107 persons of the "subjects" died from "want, cold, and exposure"; 572 children were suffocated during the year by drunken or careless parents in their beds.

The treasure of Guy's Hospital has received an official intimation that as the result of the collection and fête given by the employees of Harrod's Stores, Ltd., at Barnes, a sum of £2,000 will be handed over to the hospital for the purpose of endowing 2 beds in the infirmary.

At Reading, John Mills, navy, was sentenced to 4 months' hard labour for having assaulted his wife. Mills found her the worse for drink and fearfully beaten with a large buckled strap, causing wounds all over her head and face. She presented a dreadful spectacle in court.

A man named Isaac Doughty, of Bilton, has been hoaxed by the Staffordshire police for the past fortnight that he was the man wanted for the murder of a young woman named Elizabeth Cartwright, in that neighbourhood, 12 months ago. He was this week discharged from custody.

Judgment in the case of the N. British Rubber Co. v. Gormully and Jeffery, delivered by Justice North a year ago, was delivered this week, when the injunction asked by plaintiffs, who are manufacturers of the "clinch" tyre, was refused, restraining defendants from infringing their letters patent, was granted.

At Dalston a private residence has been entered by burglars, and a sum of about £10 in gold, some 10-franc pieces, valuable miscellaneous jewellery, and a number of other articles (China and Crimean, with clasp attached) carried away. Other similar cases are reported from Clapham, Acton, Kilburn, and Brockley.

The Admiralty Court held that a collision which occurred between the London steamships Zanzibar and Cygnus, in the Channel, was due to the negligence of the Zanzibar. The damage to be awarded to the owners of the Zanzibar will be assessed in the Registry.

A farmer, named Foale, belonging to Blackwater, was found hanging out of his top, dead, on the main road between Dartmouth and Blackwater. His feet were caught in the trap, and his head was touching the ground. There were signs that he had been

dragged along. The horse was standing quite still.

The sole survivor of the men injured by the Neath colliery explosion is recovering.

The most perfect Japanese scholar amongst Englishmen is supposed to be Sir Macon Ernest Satow, who is now at the British Embassy in Japan.

The Korean Minister of Public Instruction has engaged a Russian biologist at a salary of 1,500 yen per year to give instruction in the Russian language at Seoul.

The police have discovered the whereabouts of a certain official of the Post Office, who is said to have absconded to America with £400 in bank notes.

The German Emperor has sent Herr Kumpke cordial telegram, thanking him and his wife and his workmen for the exceedingly hearty reception they gave him.

The Lord-lieutenant of Cambridgeshire, Mr. Peckover, presented the Addenbrookes Hospital, Cambridge, with 410 new beds, a third thousand of the same hospital.

A bicycle rider has sued the city of Cincinnati and one of its contractors for causing a street to be so heavily sprinkled that his wheel slipped and he was thrown and badly injured.

The Dutch statesman, De Witt, captured by the Italians in the Red Sea on suspicion of having contraband of war destined for Massowah, had on board 65,000 rifles and 8,000,000 cartridges.

The men and women of the Cree tribe of Indians dress alike, and can be distinguished only by the ornaments of their leggings, that of the men being vertical, and that of the women horizontal.

A Russian company has obtained the right to mine for gold in the province of Kien Do, in Corea, for a period of 15 years. The company will pay the Government a royalty of 25 per cent. on the quantity of gold obtained.

Sir Julian Pauncefote, British Ambassador to Washington, who has returned from the United States, visited Lord Salisbury at the Foreign Office, and subsequently made a general call on his late colleagues in that department.

The British tourist steamer Garonne reports that when she was at Spitbergen Herr Andree had discovered 4 rents in his balloon from which gas was escaping, and that the accident would probably not take place this summer.

Lord Macdonald, who has taken a leading part in the Land Bill debate in the House of Peers, was at once a 1st class athlete and a scholar of distinction at his University—Cambridge.

He was third classic of his year, and his score for him in the first class of the New Caledonian Canal Railway is open for passenger traffic.

The line extends from the extreme west of Glasgow, at Maryhill, to the extreme east of Rutherglen, and its length is 7 miles, of which 5 are under the main streets of the city.

The construction of the British East Africa Railway is proceeding at the rate of half a mile a day. A new bridge, 1,700 feet long, which was built in 31 months, has just been opened in the presence of the European residents of Mombasa.

During a thunderstorm a house at the foot of Portdown Hill, Portsmouth, was struck by a thunderbolt, which partially unroofed the kitchen and damaged the chimney. It afterwards fell into an adjacent garden, where it burnt.

On a mountain near Bosen, in the Tyrol, a youth of 16 of a railway official named Koller, missed his footing, and before the eyes of his father, who was gathering edelweiss, fell over a precipice into a mountain torrent, receiving fatal injuries.

A fishing smack was wrecked at Arran Island, and the crew narrowly escaped with their lives. The vessel began to break up the moment she struck the cliff, which is 122ft. high. The men had to climb the cliff, helping each other the best they could.

Mr. E. H. Llewellyn, M.P. for N. Somerset, is father of the Capt. Somerset, who has been working for the Maxim gun with such deadly effect in the Matabele fight. Another son, the eldest, has charge of a company of "Cape Boys."

Mr. Allan Maclean has just completed a visit to the southern ports of Morocco, to see the progress of the British merchant against the Moors of the interior. His mission is reported to have been successful.

Lord Rosebery is to be the guest of Lord and Lady Ripon at Fountains Abbey next week, when the Prince of Wales will take place there. Eight hundred people are to take part in 12 tableaux illustrating English history from Boadicea to Victoria.

Dispatches from the Cameroons state that Dr. Esser's expedition has returned from the hinterland after a absence of 18 months. Important treaties have been concluded with the native chiefs with regard to the labour question.

The Spanish Government is negotiating with Messrs. Thomson, shipbuilders, of Glasgow, for the building of 2 cruisers, to be laid down in 1900, and a number of other vessels, valued at 6,500. It is understood the Government desires the vessels to be completed in 10 months, whereas the firm asks for 11.

In October last Stepan Guardians adopted a plan for providing medical assistance for our poor black population in cases of emergency. They decided to pay any duly-qualified doctor who might be called, and owing to its success the scheme has now been made permanent.

The body of a newly-born female child, wrapped in a pink striped cotton apron, with an outcropping of brown paper, has been found in Park-row, Greenwich. The body of a male child, wrapped in a piece of old sack, was also found in Leman-st., Whitechapel.

A memorial with over 8,000 signatures of the inhabitants of Chelsea, Pimlico, and Kensington, protesting against experiments on living animals being permitted at the British Institute of Preventive Medicine on the Chelsea Embankment, has been forwarded to the Home Secretary.

It has been decided at St. Peterburg to allow existing conventions to stand, but at the same time to make overtures to the British, American, and Japanese Governments with the view of establishing a more efficacious protective system for the seals of Behring Sea.

A goods train running from London to Ipswich on the G.N. Ry., seen to be in flames after leaving Hatfield Station. When brought to a standstill it was found that a couple of waggons containing inflammable goods were on fire, and before the

flames could be extinguished one of the trucks was burnt.

At Bath, the Pope's Nuncio in Washington, will be consecrated archbishop on Aug. 23.

Accidents from petroleum lamps advanced to the great total of 475 last year.

The Duke of York will shortly visit Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Sassoon, at Tulse-hill Lodge, Maresfield.

Lord Lonsdale and Lord C. Darnley have been invited by the German Emperor to attend the autumn manoeuvres at Breslau.

Mr. Justice Vaughan Williams has made a compulsory order for the winding-up of the Duval Restaurants for London, Limited.

The Duke of Norfolk, as Mayor of Sheffield, entertained several hundred ladies and gentlemen at a garden party at his Sheffield residence, The Farm.

A serious accident occurred at Red-ding Colliery, Falkirk. A miner named William Johnston was killed, and another named George M'Dougan was severely injured.

The commission of Deputy-Lieutenant for the Isle of Wight, which has just been conferred upon Mr. Godfrey Baring, is given by Princess Beatrice, Duchess of the island.

The German Emperor has received so much benefit from his stay at Wilhelmshöhe that he resolved to stay there longer than was originally intended, but he will leave about the middle of next week.

Mr. Leonoff, a Russian explorer who has been through Abyssinia, declares that the war is at an end, and that for the future the power of the Negus must be reckoned with in African operations.

An English syndicate, with Sir W. Pearson at its head, has concluded a scheme of iron in the isthmus of Tehuantepec for the purpose of building a railway to connect the Atlantic and Pacific Oceans.

A French citizen named Waligowski, one of the contractors for the Ak-Cheli Railway in Anatolia, has been kidnapped together with one of his foremen, by brigands, who demand a ransom of £24,000.

The French War Minister has submitted to the Government a project for the military occupation of Insalah, Touat, and the Gourara Oases, which are France's effective domination of the Sahara regions.

In consequence of severe indisposition, the Duke of Abercorn was unable to be in his place during the report stage of the Irish Land Bill in the House of Lords, but is now recovering, and has left his room.

The foundation-stone of a new Baptist chapel at Bexhill-on-Sea, to be erected in memory of the late Mr. R. Spurgeon, was laid by his sons, Charles and Thomas, acting on behalf of their mother.

During the past week no fewer than 14 steamers landed live stock and fresh produce from America and Canada, bringing a total supply of 6,966 cattle, 3,158 sheep, and 15,731 quarters of beef.

Loder's gazelle (gazella loderi) is now exhibited for the first time at the Zoological Gardens, where a fine female specimen, the gift of Mr. R. Birdwood, of Cairo, has just been received.

The death is reported, at his residence, Belhelvie Lodge, Aberdeenshire, of Lieut.-gen. Sir Harry Burnett Lumsden, C.B., K.C.S.I., in his 75th year. Sir Harry had a distinguished career.

A Hillsboro, Oregon, man missed the train he was to take to a neighbouring town, where he was to be married, whereupon he mounted his bicycle, and by hard riding arrived at the church just as the wedding party entered.

In a race on the tramps in the Paris parks recently the new electric lanterns provided for the police were used for the first time. The result was quite up to expectations as far as the lighting power of the lanterns were concerned.

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The German Emperor has increased the donation he makes to German schools in Paris from £120 to £180 a year. The Grand Duke of Hesse-Darmstadt, who has been in the habit of subscribing £250, gives an additional £250 a year.

To avoid the consequences, a quantity of Seine water being brought into the mains—has broken out at the Ecole Militaire Barracks. Fifty men are down from the malady, and have been sent to hospital. The barracks have been evacuated. No death has yet been recorded.

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On Wednesday, at Kempton, Ellerton, who was very weary, was in the paddock ready to run for the Thames Selling Plate, but Mr. Ellerton was so weary that he was unable to run. The race was won by the other horse, and the result was a disappointment to the Ellerton family.

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At Worship-st., Frederick Robinson, wholesale maker of sausages and brawn, of St. Stephen's-road, Bow, was summoned before Mr. Corbett, the sanitary authority of the Poplar District Board of Works for having deposited on his premises, for the purpose of preparation for human food, certain veal, pork, and bullocks' heads, the same being unsound and unfit for human food. Mr. Robinson, who was defended by Mr. Ricketts, pleaded that the meat was sound and fit for human food.

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